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IN RE APPLICATION OF: **Susan Dobbs, et al.** :

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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on March 5, 2001, and having an original period for response of two, which expired on May 5, 2001, be extended by 1 (one) month(s), such that it expires on June 5, 2001.

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